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## SOLVING THE "JAPANESE QUESTION"

DR. SCUDDER IN THE BOSTON HERALD

Dr. Sidney L. Gulick's proposals for solving the alien immigrant problem, with particular reference to the "Japanese question," has found vigorous response on the Atlantic seaboard. The Boston Herald of December 3 publishes a long letter from Dr. Doremus Scudder, now on the mainland in the work of the Committee on American Relations, urging extension of citizenship laws along the line of the "Gulick plan." The Herald editorially indorses the plan.

Scudder, pastor of Central Union brand of talking through one's hat

When in the early fifties Commo-tired if it were not so laughable a found a people more hide-bound by can spirit. There is no one whom it race prejudice than perhaps any other on earth. Gently but firmly America cans know this in the case of a Carl took Japan by the hand and intro- Schurz or a Mary Antin, but it is duced her to the family of nations. equally true of the men of any race. At first Japan resented this, but later I have lived in New York, Chicago and she recognized her debt of gratitude San Francisco, but I know no more 1854 to 1905, America exhibited toship and was recognized as her great of 100 years ago which sent its mesteacher. Land of ideals as Japan is. the sentiment of gratitude there therliness which has no parallel.

In 1906, however, the San Francisco school excitement smote this sense of our lone territory in the mid-Pacific. imperial government cordially entered make America his permanent home. into the "gentleman's agreement" and Japanese and Citizenship. has ever since not only kept its work. Hawail does not fear Japanese citiing men from coming to the United | zens. It already has some 20,000 born endeavor to cultivate its neighbor's try. We do not fear them because friendship.

The U. S. Response. In response to this exhibition of and three largest grammar schools in courtesy, the first thing our country Honolulu, during the past few years; did was to send its Atlantic fleet to 30 1-0 per cent of the Japanese reachshow that America possessed a mailed ed the rank of A, or 90 to 100. Only fist. Japan spent half a million dol- 13 2-10 per cent of the white Amerilars entertaining it as never a fleet of cans and north Europeans did as well, war vessels was entertained before. whole of those who attained the stand-Next in Congress a lone voice wa' ing of B, or from 80 up, the percenheard proclaiming the certainty of a tages were 84 for Japanese graduates. war between the two nations. This and 801/2 for the whites. These Jepwas repeated by the press, caught up anese children beat our children in by army and navy officers in private our best schools. Second, they are discussion, echoed even by American passionately attached to America. To educators of international repute, and say that a Japanese will not be true has led to the publication, year after to his adopted country if he should year, of the most baseless statements, change his allegiance shows lamentsuch as Japan's ambitions in the di- able ignorance of the Japanese nature rection of Mexico and the Magdalena and ideals. Long ago feudal Japan bay canard, or that a large section of worked out the moral ideal in the Hawaiian laborers are soldiers in dis- problem of shifted allegiance. Third, guise; that Japan has designs upon the Japanese is a true independent; the Philippines or upon Hawaii, that he will not vote en bloc as a race, but the "gentleman's agreement" is sys- according to his convictions of polititematically evaded on our northern cal duty. The study of Japanese poand southern frontiers, and the like. litical parties tells us that. Hawaii's This is accompanied by the publica- experience in a dozen or more years tions of experiences with Japanese will show larger demonstration of this servants and farm hands on the Pa- faith. clific coast. Thus the American peo- The Prospect of an influx.

ple have become wrongly educated to A large influx of laborers on the distrust the Japanese. Pacific coast from any Asiatic country would work great hardship and injus-

The Japan Jingoist. At the same time the sensational tice. And after the war, with an open press of the Japanese empire has Panama canal, California may find by copied these American utterances and sad experience that the same is true made the most of them to create dis-like and distrust of the United States, it is imperative that Congress should until it has become the conviction of take up the question and settle it delimillions of the people there that Ja- nitely, not only as it applies to Eupan's next war must be with America, rope, but to all countries. At present because America is determined to we have with Japan the "gentleman's fight them. No one in either nation agreement," which absolutely excludes wants a war. The Japanese govern- all Japanese immigrant laborers. But ment and the more thoughtful classes such an agreement is not in the nacherish the warmest feelings of friend- ture of a permanent policy. Hence ship for us, but they have exhausted the value of such a suggestion as was every possible resource for removing made last spring by Dr. Gulick, to lim-American distrust, and they have it immigration to 5 per cent of the naturalized citizens and native-born

The two nations are drifting into children of immigrants from any the very condition that made war in country. Such a law would practically Europe inevitable. The essential love exclude Asiatic laborers and restrict immigration from Southern European into the closest friendship. Both abhor war. Both love peace. Both have whom it is most difficult to American-far more resemblances than differize. This proposal should have the ences. No immigrants, not even north enthusiastic support of organized la-Europeans, would make more loyal or bor, as indeed it has already won the useful citizens than the Japanese. But assent of some of its leaders. Such with the continuance of the present a measure, together with the extenconditions and the present trend, war between the two countries is not impossible. Let some great injustice be done to Japanese, as is not unthinkable in view of the school affair of eight years ago or of last year's agitation on the Pacific coast, and the astutest statesmen on both sides of the privilege of naturalization, would end forever the discriminating legislation which has so irritated Japan, and at the same time satisfy the demands of the Pacific coast. The call of today is for some such contained astutest statesmen on both sides of statesmanship. Once carried cut our the open may be powerless to stem. the ocean may be powerless to stem nation would need no warlike arma-the arcused passions of the populace. ments on the Pacific. International How to Mend Matters.

Something can be done to mend so far man has devised nothing but

matters. That is the present task friendship that can do that. These two nations are still in such a Editorially Indorsed. state of receptiveness that right ac-tion would cement both in bonds of editorially: friendship. Our press can mightily The facts brought out by Dr. Scudforward this by refusing to print der, in another column, deserve seristatements calculated to arouse distous consideration. Two peoples facing trust. Our schools should use text the Pacific ocean, who have every rea-books setting forth the truth con- son to be lasting friends, are becomcerning such mighty nations as Japan ing more estranged every year. We and China and the strong attractive do not want European conditions to features of their civilization. And prevail in the Pacific world. We are most important of all, because most not ready for a foreign war, that if easily accomplished if backed by public opinion, we should as a nation no our country ever knew, and all for longer refuse to give the resident nothing but a mere prejudice. Yet all Japanese the power of self-defense im- this is possible, and if our relations plied in the privilege of naturaliza- with Japan are suffered to grow worse tion. The Japanese is not allowed to it is inevitable. In this era of in-make good here in the way that the creasing human solidarity, neighbor Syrian or the Hungarian can, and nations that refuse to trust one another non-Aryan peoples. They are other must eventually fight. No betzenship. If we should give this privi- the American people will ever be lege to the Japanese resident here, al- found than now, when the horror and though few of them might fulfil the crime and insensate folly of war are requirements, all Japan would be con being ground into the consciousness vinced that America is resolved not of the entire human race. to discriminate against its people on Dr. Scudder does not utter one word

the mere ground of race.

Hawaii's Position.

of complaint against California, Some of its people, he believes, are mistak-

Hawaii can teach the rest of Amer en as to the essential character of

the Japanese. Then anti-Asiatic legistunate plight, but the chief fault is tion that continues to discriminate them the same privileges as other The Boston Herald publishes the ica a most important lesson. Hawaii aliens. Thus, as Dr. Scudder shows, following letter from Dr. Doremus is often said to be orientalized. This the remedy is simple. Congressional 25 (hristian denominations, Having action allowing the Japanese residents would make us Yankees out there to become naturalized on equal terms with Europeans, would solve the diffidore Perry appeared in Yedo bay to display of ignorance. The strongest culty between the two countries and lead Japan to open her doors, he social force in the world is the Amerifriendship., Few Japanese laborers could qualify. Our problems would cannot permeate. Mainland Ameribe uncomplicated. California's face would be saved. to the Republic of the West. From truly American center under the stars by distinct problem of immigration, erick Lynch, Prof. C. R. Henderson

Meantime the extension of the priv flege of naturalization to the Japan se and stripes than Hawaii. How did it Like practically all Pacific coast cities of Chicago University, Bishops Mcwards Japan the most cordial frience become such? The sturdy Puritanian, zens, Dr. Scudder believes in rigid re Connell and Hendrix, the Rev. Drs. sengers by the score to Christianize the then called Sandwich Islands, cured by the "gentleman's agree of this commission is Dr. S. L. Gulick, ished gave birth to a depth of friend- wrought the miracle. You can find no ment;" but a permanent policy of im- the author of the book, "The American place on earth more saturated with migration that shall be free from irri- Japanese Problem." twentieth century Puritanism than tating discriminations would be still better. Here Dr. Sidney L. Gulick's regard like a thunderbolt. At first Ja- The American spirit dominates there proposal of a small percentage basis pan believed that this ebuilition of and transforms the overwhelmingly of admission that shall bear heavily feeling on our Pacific coast was mere prependerating Asiatic population. upon undesirable immigrants promly a symptom of aften influence in More than one-half of the people in ises a solution. The Herald believes America, complicated with the pro- Hawaii are Asiatics. But they do not in this program of ending all racial fessionalism of labor agitaters and long stay Asiatic at heart. They meet discrimination by giving to resident the shrewd tactics of self-seeking pol- the spirit of America, and that Japanese the same privilege of naturiticians. Every means was taken to changes them. The Japanese comes alization granted to other aliens, and remove misunderstandings. Deputa to make money and to return home, by enacting a uniform immigration Francisco Chronicle. "The mayor, Jotions came to America. Companies of but 10 years' contact with American law which shall exclude practically all American business men and others democracy and American liberty re- Asiatics, restrict the coming of undewere invited to Japan. Lecturers vis- creates him so that if he returns to sirable Europeans, and keep the doo: ited the Japanese in the coast states his native land he is not content to wide open to those peoples most ready to expound to them their duty. The stay there, but back he comes to to fuse into our common civilization. Dr. Soudder's Status.

Of Dr. Scudder the Herald says: Dr. Scudder, the author of this arti-States, but has not allowed them to on its soil, and, therefore, citizens of medical missionary under the Amerithe city, its streets, police system, jail been out over several portions of the go to Mexico if they had relatives and the United States. These are mostly can board. There he lived in the far and various municipal departments. state highways. Permanent roads are friends in this country. No govern- minors, but soon will vote and out- interior and came into very close relauates of the three chief high schools

direction of the Japanese minister for home affairs, came into close touch with the families of emigrants to Hawaii, spoke to them in scores of Buddhist temples, and carried from them to the islands more than \$300 personal messages. To give these messages he visited nearly all the sugar plantalation has put the nation in an unfor- tions of Hawaii. For 10 years he has been editor-in-chief of the Friend, the not with the state, but with the na. cldest paper west of the Rockies. He is also minister of Central Union against Japanese by not granting to church in Honolulu, with over 1150 members, gathered from nearly 30 nationalities and representing more than study for years, the Federal Council of Churches appointed him a member of its commission of 15 on American Mott, Dean Charles R. Brown of Yale; Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent; Robert E. Speer, President George R. Vincent of Minnesota University; Amos P. Wilder, former United States should not be confused with the total consul-general at Shanghai; Dr. Fredstriction of Asiatic immigration. In F. M. North, W. I. Haven and A. G. the case of Japan this is ideally se- Lawson. The special representative

#### "BOY" SUPERVISOR TELLS SAN FRANCISCO

Supervisors are Republicans."

Hawaii 25 years ago and has always

under the Hawaiian board, he went to meet and they do things differently of amateur athletics in the island ideath penalty.

Japan a second time, and under the

# OF LOCAL CONDITIONS

"We are all Republicans in Honolulu this year," said Ben Hollinger of the island city yesterday, says the San seph Fern, who has served several terms and is a Democrat, was succeed-

supervisors, and is making his first tion of the way the board of public trip to California. He was born in works handles its business. lived there. On his first trip to San of permanent road construction that is cle, spent five years in Japan as a Francisco he is duly impressed with being done in California, and I have

ment has ever made more persistent number us whites of American ances tions with the common people. Sub- I am getting lots of it," he said, in going to work for that result when I sequently, when called to Honolulu telling of what he is doing here. "I return home." they are intelligent. Out of the grad- as superintendent of Japanese work have seen the board of supervisors! Hollinger is active in the world ing against the abelishment of the



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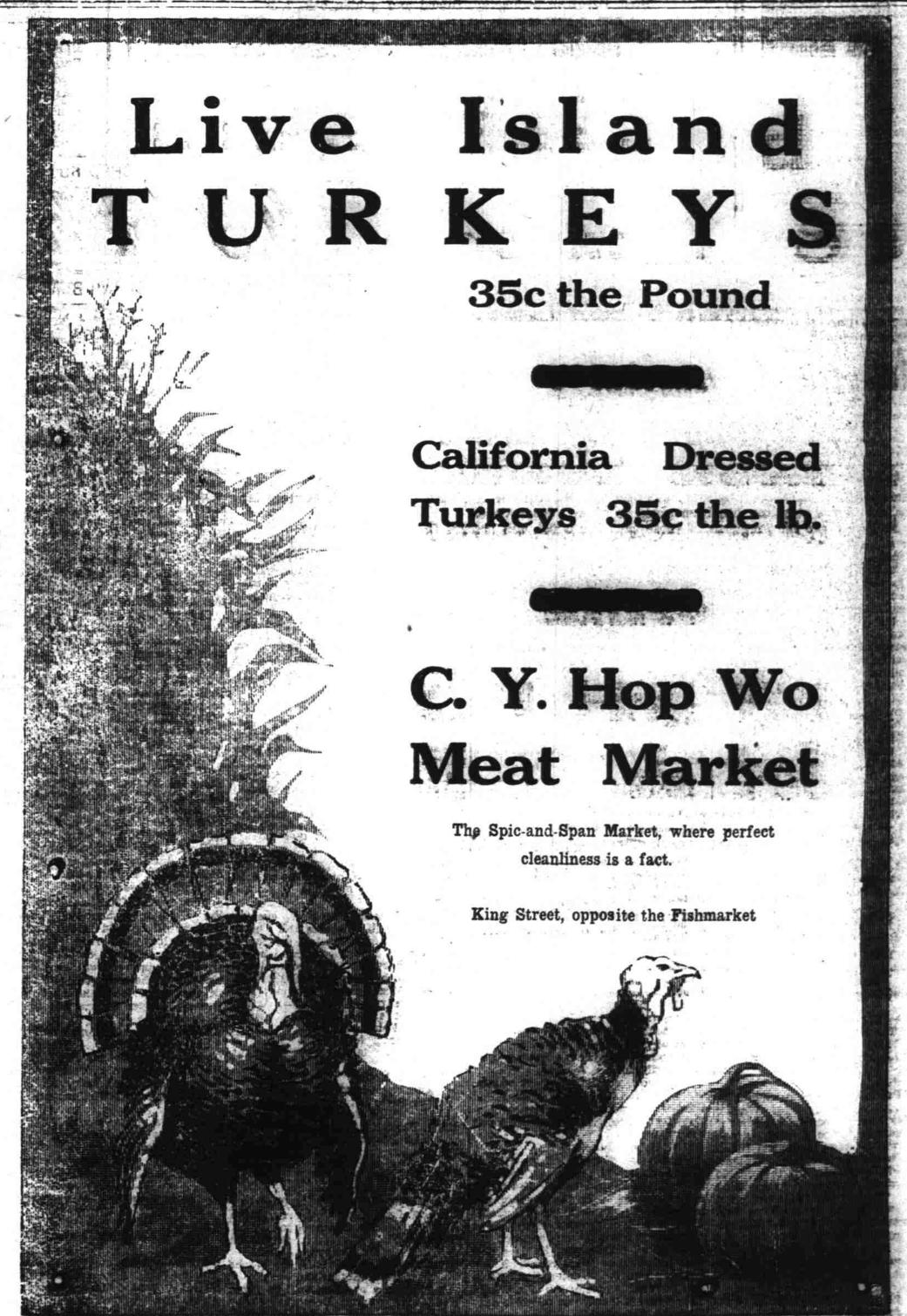
ed by a Republican, and all the Board from the board in Honolulu. I have capital, is a member of several sycin been through the county jail and the ming and athletic clubs and is a prom-, Hollinger is the boy member of the city prison and have made an inspec-upervisors, and is making his first tion of the way the board of public turns to Honolulu December 15, but

"I am surprised at the great extent

will first go to Sacramento to visit the state capitol and officials.

Eleven men, six americans and five Mexicans, will be hanged in the Artzona penitentiary in one day, December 19, for murder. The people of the state pronounced their doom, by vot-

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